

REMARKS

Claim 5 is canceled to place the application in condition for allowance upon the allowability of all the other claims indicated in the action as now acknowledged appreciatively.

Claim 1 is re-limited to crosslinked pulp to traverse the first part of its rejection under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, without invoking any present Festo decision because the limitation was originally claimed.

The second part of the rejection of claim 1 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, because:

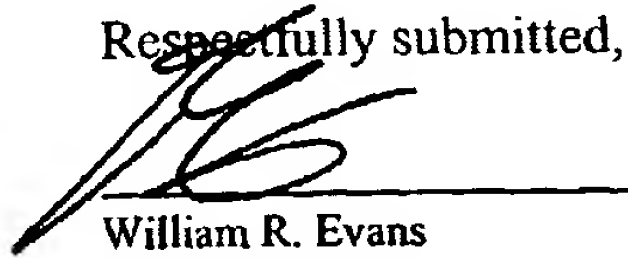
... the use of the term "crosslinked pulp" includes "pulp" not actually disclosed. The specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to use/make the invention commensurate in scope with these claims

is not well taken. If such were objectionable, no claim could include "a gas," for example, because no disclosure could name them all. While 35 USC 112 requires a disclosure that enables some making and using, there is no requirement in 35 USC 112 that the disclosure enable them all.

The rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, because claims 1 and 2 omitted the "molding" limitation of dependent claims 3, etc. is attended to above together with other editorial changes that do not limit the claims to invoke any present Festo decision are made above.

Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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